

REPORTS  
OF THE  
SELECTMEN, TREASURER,  
OVERSEER OF THE POOR,  
AND  
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN OF STODDARD,  
FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1883.

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# Report of Selectmen,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1883.

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## DISBURSEMENTS.

*Orders on Town Treasurer, Principal and Interest on Town Notes.*

Paid Ephraim Stevens, interest on town note,	\$260.00
Chastina Shedd,       "       "	44.00
Frank T. Lewis,       "       "	12.00
Con. Society,       "       "	6.80
Josiah M. Rice,       "       "	1.50
Con. Society, Principal,       "       "	60.94
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	\$385.24

## State and County Tax.

Paid G. A. Litchfield, County Tax,	\$356.66
Solon A. Carter, State Tax,	488.00
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	\$844.66

## Support of Paupers.

Paid Josiah M. Rice,	\$790.21
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## Support of Schools.

Paid Joel F. Whittemore, District, No. 1,	\$137.68
Wesley P. Hodgman,       "       "   2,	74.56
William H. Shoming,       "       "   3,	49.60
Charles A. Tarbox,       "       "   4,	25.01
Daniel Sullivan,       "       "   5,	113.23
Charles X. Cutter,       "       "   6,	139.92
William Dodge,       "       "   8,	75.25
Julus Platzner,       "       "   9,	20.76
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	\$636.03



Paid repairing School House in District No. 1,	\$3.13
“ “ “ 5,	10.00
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	\$13.13

### Repairing Highways and Bridges,

In 1881, not reported as liabilities that year.

Paid Nathan D. Curtis, cutting bushes,	\$12.16
Christopher Robb, lumber and work on bridge,	201.69
Henry Shoults, work on bridge,	4.50
Nathan Whitney,	5.32
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	\$223.67

### Repairing Highways and Bridges, 1882.

Paid George W. Stevens,	\$7.00
Otis H. Harding,	14.44
William L. Abbott,	40.52
James H. Stevens,	.72
Christopher Robb, Plank,	17.37
N. D. Curtis,	7.64
Newton P. Waldron,	13.20
Milon A. Dodge,	8.42
Gilman Stacy, Plank,	10.61
James Burnap,	9.00
Gilman Temple,	1.68
Peter T. Fox,	3.54
Nathan Whitney,	5.90
John Dinsmore,	.24
Chester A. Conn,	2.36
Pharoba Hale,	7.52
Nicholas Carr,	4.43
Frank E. Comstock,	3.24
Ira E. Comstock,	.48
Sidney A. Green,	.95

Paid John Stevens,	\$ .84
Henry W. Reed, Powder and fuse,	1.83
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	\$161.93

### Breaking Roads Winter of 1881 and Spring of 1882.

Paid George W. Thoming,	\$6.84
Jonathan Davis,	8.75
John Scott,	1.98
George R. Jefts,	30.96
Daniel Upton,	17.40
O. H. Harding,	14.87
Henry Shoults,	26.18
Eben Stacy,	2.40
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	\$109.38

### Breaking Roads Spring of 1882 and Winter of 1883.

Paid Bryan Carney,	\$1.20
Henry P. Cilley,	4.92
C. O. Neil,	3.99
Josiah M. Rice,	6.60
F. A. Whittemore,	11.22
Jonas Hadley,	2.76
C. O. Neil,	4.08
E. L. White,	1.80
C. X. Cutter,	6.66
Wm. L. Abbott,	6.33
Gilman Stacy,	.96
Benj. H. Griffiths,	15.86
James H. Stevens,	2.80
Daniel E. Swett,	4.92
Asa Davis,	12.60
George W. Stevens,	9.60
Daniel Sullivan,	3.36
James H. Scott,	2.86



Paid George H. Lane,	\$4.32
Newton P. Waldron,	4.71
William H. Chase,	2.16
S. E. Tuttle,	1.20
Jonas L. Reed,	3.60
E. T. Wheeler,	14.49
Nathan D. Curtis,	20.16
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	\$153.16

### Perambulating Town Lines.

Paid James H. Scott,	\$7.00
Charles H. Dodge,	3.00
Charles P. Pitcher,	2.00
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	\$12.00

### Miscellaneous Expenditures.

Paid for printing reports 1882 and postage,	\$14.13
Charles D. Spafford, damage on highway,	10.00
Mason W. Tappan, for advice,	1.00
W. L. Abbott, for watering tub 1881,	3.00
Knowlton and stone drills,	5.15
“ “ Eagle for town hall,	30.00
Stationery,	6.75
C. O. Neil, removing nuisance,	1.00
Bounty on crows,	5.20
N. P. Waldron, damage on highway,	3.00
Charles H. Tenney, “ “	5.00
W. L. Abbott, watering tub 1882,	3.00
J. M. Rice, outstanding order C. J. Stewart,	2.43
Samuel E. Tuttle, stationery for Supervisors 1881,	1.25
Josiah M. Rice, “ “ 1883,	2.25
E. H. Tuttle, care of town hall,	.50
William S. Tuttle & G. H. Lane, fixing town hall bell,	1.00

Paid J. M. Rice, over paid on taxes 1879,	\$1.10
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	\$95.76

### Services of Town Officers.

Paid Joel F. Whittemore, Supervisor, 1881 and '82,	\$10.00
S. E. Tuttle, " " "	9.90
J. M. Robb, " " "	12.00
William H. Chase, " 1883,	2.00
W. S. Tuttle, Town Clerk,	24.50
C. P. Pitcher, Treasurer,	25.00
J. M. Rice, collecting taxes 1882,	49.00
" " " " 1881,	6.24
William S. Tuttle, services as constable,	1.50
James H. Scott, Selectman,	68.00
Charles H. Dodge, "	56.00
James H. Stevens, "	33.00
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	\$297.14

### Abatement of Taxes.

Josiah M. Rice, book 1879,	\$7.23
" " " 1881,	14.46
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	\$21.69

### Amount of Town Notes Outstanding.

Ephraim Stevens,	interest from Jan. 1, 1883,	\$6,500.00
Chastina Shedd,	" " "	1,100.00
Con. Society	" " "	110.06
Frank T. Lewis,	" " "	200.00
Josiah M. Rice,	" " "	75.00
Paschal P. Hodgman,	" Oct. 27, 1882,	300.00
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		\$8,285.06



# RECAPITULATION.

<i>Selectmen</i>	<i>Dr.</i>
To cash in hands of Treasurer, March 1, 1882,	\$86.93
“ received of Josiah M. Rice, support of poor,	243.05
“ “ Josiah M. Rice, taxes 1878,	6.94
“ “ “ “ “ 1879,	14.95
“ “ “ “ “ 1881,	415.97
“ “ “ “ “ 1882,	2,700.00
“ “ “ “ interest on taxes 1881,	6.55
“ “ Solon A. Carter, savings bank tax,	383.75
“ “ “ “ literary fund,	62.56
“ “ James H. Scott, use of town hall,	3.45
“ “ Josiah M. Rice, on town note,	75.00
“ “ Paschal P. Hodgman, “	300.00
“ “ James H. Scott, highway tax B. Southworth,	.59
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	\$4,299.76

<i>Selectmen,</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
By amount paid on town notes,	\$385.24
“ State and County taxes,	844.66
“ Support of poor,	790.21
“ Support of schools,	636.03
“ Repairs on School houses,	13.13
“ Highways and Bridges,	385.60
“ Breaking roads,	262.54
“ Perambulating town lines,	12.00
“ Miscellaneous expenses,	95.76
“ Town Officers,	297.14
Cash in hand of Treasurer, March 1, 1883,	577.45
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	\$4,299.76



**Liabilities.**

<i>Stoddard,</i>	<i>Dr.</i>
Due the several school districts for schooling,	\$69.35
“ “ “ “ repairs,	11.92
Due on town notes,	8,285.06
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	\$8,366.33

**Assets.**

Due from E. Stevens, G. Stacy, G. W. McClure note, dated March 1, 1878,	\$420.75
“ J. M. Rice, taxes on Proctor book, 1878,	2.17
“ “ “ “ book 1881,	54.37
“ “ “ “ “ 1882,	194.98
Due on Collector's book 1875-'76, in hands Selectmen,	427.58
“ from County for support of poor,	108.43
“ S. Ryder, rent on Tyler lot,	24.00
“ Israel F. Town, rent on Tyler lot,	1.20
“ Charles P. Pitcher, Treasurer,	577.45
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	\$1,810.93
Total amount of liabilities,	\$8,366.33
“ assets,	1,810.93

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	\$6,555.40
Amount of town debt reported, 1882,	\$6,560.06
“ “ “ “ 1883,	6,555.40

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	\$4.66
Paid on highways and bridges, 1881,	223.67
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Reduction of town debt, 1882,	228.33

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. SCOTT,	} <i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>Stoddard.</i>
CHARLES H. DODGE,	
JAMES H. STEVENS,	

## Treasurer's Report.

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I respectfully submit the following report of the financial transactions of the town of Stoddard for the year ending March 1, 1883:—

### Receipts.

Received of E. Stevens, former Treasurer,	\$86.93
“ J. M. Rice, support of County paupers,	243.05
“ “ taxes for 1878,	6.94
“ “ “ 1879,	14.97
“ “ “ 1881,	415.97
“ “ “ 1882,	2700.00
“ “ interest on taxes, 1881,	6.55
“ “ on town note,	75.00
“ Solon A. Carter, Savings Bank tax,	383.75
“ “ “ Literary Fund,	62.56
“ Paschal P. Hodgman, town note,	300.00
“ James H. Scott, use of town hall,	3.45
“ “ “ highway tax of B. Southworth,	.59
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	\$4299.76

### Disbursements.

Paid by order of Selectmen for support of Poor,	\$790.21
Support of schools,	636.03
Principal and Interest on Town Notes,	385.24
State Tax,	488.00

Paid County Tax,	\$356.66
Miscellaneous Expenses,	95.76
Repairing highways and bridges,	385.60
Breaking roads,	262.54
Repairs on school-houses,	13.13
Services of Town Officers,	297.14
Perambulating town lines,	12.00
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	\$3,722.31

Total amount of receipts for the year ending March 1, 1883,	\$4,299.76
Total amount disbursements,	3,722.31
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Balance in hands of Treasurer March 1, 1883,	\$577.45

C. P. PITCHER, *Treasurer.*



# Report of Overseer of Poor.

Statement of the expenses of the Town of Stoddard for the year ending March 1, 1883:—

Paid aid for Betsey Temple, including funeral		
	expenses, County charge,	\$61.28
Emeline Woods,	" "	53.25
Amanda Wells,	" "	34.73
Norman A. Howe,	" "	81.00
Hattie S. Howard,	" "	10.00
Frank L. Thurston,	" "	24.50
Mrs. J. Bingham,	" "	4.00
John Proctor,	Town charge,	174.06
Alfred Beckwith and wife,	" "	179.68
Sarah Friend,	" "	16.00
Thomas Tyrrell,	" "	82.71
Mrs. George Bishop,	" "	38.75
Mrs. Will Ruppel,	" "	4.25
Overseer's services and incidental expenses,		26.00
Whole amount paid out,		<u>\$790.21</u>
Paid out for County paupers,		\$268.76
" " Town paupers,		521.45
		<u>\$790.21</u>
Have received of Treasurer,		\$790.21

JOSIAH M. RICE, Overseer.

REPORT  
OF THE  
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
FOR THE  
TOWN OF STODDARD,  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1883.

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DISTRICT No. 1

The spring term commenced May 1 and continued nine weeks under the instruction of Miss CLARA E. UPTON. Average attendance, 33. All attended to reading, spelling and penmanship; 28 to arithmetic; 23 to geography; 4 to grammar, and 1 to history; 17 to composition.

It was a most successful school. The teacher having those combined qualities that cannot fail to succeed, viz., an excellent education, good judgment and a love for teaching, and the scholars seemed to strive to excel each other in making it a most profitable term as well as one that should be a credit to them. They all succeeded admirably and deserved our praise.

The fall term of eleven weeks was taught by Miss NELLIE S. DICKEY. Average attendance, 29. All were taught in reading, spelling and penmanship; 25 in arithmetic; 19 in geography; 5 in grammar; 23 in composition, and 1 in history.

The improvement made by the scholars was very satisfactory and the order was excellent.

DISTRICT No. 2.

The spring and autumn terms were taught by Miss MARY E. DAVIS, 19 weeks in all. Average number of pupils, 18.2. All

attending to reading and spelling; 14 to penmanship; 16 to arithmetic; 7 to grammar, and 7 to composition

Miss Davis is successful as a teacher and the school is a credit to teacher and scholars alike.

#### DISTRICT No. 3.

The spring term was taught by Miss LIZZIE A. BROWN; 8 weeks; average attendance, 9.74. All recited in reading and spelling; 7 were taught penmanship; 7 arithmetic; 4 grammar, and 1 physiology.

The fall term of four weeks was taught by Miss FLORENCE S. KNIGHT; average attendance, 10.7. All were taught reading, spelling and penmanship; 9 arithmetic; 8 geography; 11 drawing and 2 physiology. For so short terms of school the progress made was creditable.

#### DISTRICT No. 5.

The spring term was taught by Miss S. GRACE CURTICE with an attendance of 19. All were taught in reading; 12 in spelling; 10 in penmanship; 13 in arithmetic, and 7 in geography. There was not the interest in the school room that I should have liked to have seen manifested, and the teacher's register shows too many absent and tardy marks for a profitable school.

The fall term was taught by Miss HELEN R. SWAIN; 10 weeks. Number of scholars, 26; average, 21. 24 attended to reading; 17 to spelling; 15 to penmanship; 19 to arithmetic; 8 to geography, and 3 to grammar. I think the teacher tried to have a good school but the school house was in so poor condition it was next to impossible to have a successful term.

#### DISTRICT No. 6.

There were three terms of school in this district, taught by Miss NETTIE M. GIBNEY, 29 weeks in all. All were taught reading and spelling; 10 penmanship; 10 arithmetic; 9 geography; 2 grammar; and 1 history. The scholars have made rapid progress in their studies. The teacher has ever been ready to assist and instruct them, making the time spent in the school room profitable to all.



## DISTRICT No. 8.

The spring term was taught by Miss JENNIE S. WHITEMORE. 8 weeks ; average attendance, 11.74. All attending to reading and spelling ; 10 to penmanship ; 9 to arithmetic ; 5 to geography ; 3 to grammar ; 3 to composition. The order in school was good, and the school a success.

The second term was taught by Miss ADDIE M. TAYLOR ; 11 weeks ; average attendance, 13.64. All were taught reading, spelling, penmanship and arithmetic ; 8 geography ; 3 history ; and 3 composition. I was away at close of the school, not getting word soon enough to be present, but think the school was successful.

## DISTRICT No. 9.

Number of scholars, 3. All attended to reading, spelling ; 2 to penmanship ; 2 to arithmetic, and 2 to geography. 7 weeks of school. The school was successful.

Your schools the past year have proved successful as a whole. More pains have been taken by the Prudential Committee to secure teachers well qualified to teach, than has usually been the case, and you have the thanks of your Superintending Committee for the success attending those efforts. I must say one word regarding your school houses in Number 5 and 8. They are a disgrace to the town. How can you, parents, send your children to such places, when a few dollars, well spent, will give them a comfortable school room? Remember this at your school meeting, and don't think more of your wallet and what it contains than you do of your children. Remember there is no place where children are more liable to get severe colds than in school rooms where the wind can whistle through the cracks and keeps the room cold. Build a new house if necessary and take my word for it you never will spend your money more creditably.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT E. PROCTOR, *S. S. Committee*

